

# City of Willoughby Hills Police Department

Swearing in its first two officers in 1955, and growing into a department staffed with 21 full time officers and 10 part time officers, the mission of the Police Department under the direction of Chief Christopher J. Collins is to enhance the quality of life for its residents by providing a proactive and full range of professional police services, enforcing the law, reducing the fear of crime, promoting joint problem solving for safe, secure neighborhoods, and working in partnerships with the community to preserve life, property, and the constitutional rights of all.

From our humble country beginnings to a modern fast growing municipality, our dedication to service and commitment to excellence will ensure we meet the present and future needs of our community.



## Annual Report 2019

**Pride ♦ Courage ♦ Service**



TO: The Honorable G. Andrew Gardner, Mayor/Safety Director  
Councilman Christopher Hallum, Council President  
City Council Members

On behalf of the dedicated men and women of the Willoughby Hills Police Department, I am pleased to present you with our Annual Report for 2019. This report contains important information and statistics reflecting the commitment of our staff in providing outstanding police services to our community.

We are always evaluating our goals, objectives and law enforcement programs to ensure we meet the needs of our community. Our priority continues to be those crimes affecting the safety, welfare and quality of life in our community. We continue to be progressive in our policing strategies and our search for new equipment and technology to enhance our investigative capabilities.

This was our first full year using the Lake County Sheriff's Office Central Communications Center for 911 Emergency Dispatching and Radio Communications. The transfer to their new Records Management System and Mobile Computer Software is pending. This upgrade will streamline our data communications and provide a complete link of all police records and information between our two agencies. Additional future technology upgrades include electronic citations from the patrol cars to our records management system and the courts as well as upgrades to our in-car camera systems.

The police substation located in the former FirstMerit Bank building in the Shoppes at Willoughby Hills is operational and the development of this site continues. We are excited about this opportunity and believe it is a fine addition to this area for enhancing our police services. This site is also being used for local and regional police training purposes.

The strength of our department continues to be our staff. Their dedication and experience is directly responsible for the successful adjudication of our traffic and criminal cases, the high compliance ratings for our in-house jail facility and juvenile intervention programs. We are proud of our strong police-community relationship and the partnerships we share with other city departments and area law enforcement agencies.

With a continued spirit of cooperation, I look forward to working with Mayor Gardner and members of City Council as we continue to make Willoughby Hills a safe and enjoyable community for all.

Respectfully,

*Christopher J. Collins*  
Chief of Police

# Review



### RESPONSE DISTRICT

Willoughby Hills .....	12.5 square miles
Population .....	9,485
Waite Hill .....	4.3 square miles
Population .....	338
Interstate.....	18.8 miles
Total Area .....	17.0 square miles
Total Resident Population .....	9,823

### DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

Total Personnel .....	34
Chief of Police .....	01
Executive Assistant .....	01
Community Service Officer .....	01
Full Time Officers.....	20
Part Time Officers .....	10
Full Time Clerk .....	01
Part Time Clerk .....	01

### WILLOUGHBY HILLS TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE

15,558



### POLICE CALLS FOR SERVICE

911 Calls	1,130
Assaults	017
Alarms	437
Burglaries	006
Breaking & Entering	005
Civil Matters / Advice	059
Disable Vehicles	663
Disorderly Conduct	035
Disputes and Arguments	079
Disturbance General	084
Domestic Dispute	090
Driving under Suspension	160
Fraud	044
Harassment	036
Juvenile Complaints	041
Motor Vehicle Accidents Reportable	378
Motor Vehicle Theft	016
Mutual-Aid Other Departments	025
Noise Complaints	126
Operating Vehicle Under the Influence	035
Parking Violations	215
Possession of Drugs	173
Property Damage	054
Public Assists	021
Robbery	000
Suspicious Persons	202
Suspicious Vehicles	204
Theft	071
Traffic Complaints	787
Traffic Stops	5,130
Vehicle Lockouts	341
Warrant Arrests	119
Welfare Checks	200



### ***ADMINISTRATION***

Christopher J. Collins, Chief of Police  
Debbie Semik, Executive Assistant  
James Ours, Community Service Officer

#### ***SERGEANTS***

Travis Vobornik  
Michael Gerardi  
Matthew Naegele  
Henry Boepple

#### ***DETECTIVES***

Jamie Onion  
Ronald Parmertor

SGT. Brian Jackson – Resigned April 23, 2019

#### ***FULL TIME OFFICERS***

OFC. Frank Bordelon  
OFC. Kelly McDermott  
OFC. Randy Mullenax  
OFC. James Vitale  
OFC. Shannon Vachet  
OFC. Tony Mino  
OFC. Michael Jones

OFC. Cory Planisek  
OFC. Richard Harmon  
OFC. Paul Cocanower  
OFC. Anthony Papa  
OFC. Timothy Brehun  
OFC. Open  
OFC. Open

OFC. Craig Anderson – Retired Feb. 20, 2019

#### ***PART-TIME OFFICERS***

OFC. Taya Workum  
OFC. David D'Eusano  
OFC. Joseph Goudy  
OFC. Erik Kupchik  
OFC. Nick Luzius

OFC. Michael Walsh  
OFC. Rickard Cooper  
OFC. Salvatore Continenza  
OFC. Joseph Fink  
OFC. Craig Anderson

#### ***CLERK***

Lindsey Bushman

#### ***PART-TIME CLERK***

Janet Schuller

# **Roster**





WILLOUGHBY HILLS TOUCH A TRUCK



OFC. VACHET AND OFC. MULLENAX HONORED BY THE LAKE COUNTY CHIEFS OF POLICE FOR THEIR LIFE SAVING EFFORTS.

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[www.facebook.com/Willoughby-Hills-Police-Department](http://www.facebook.com/Willoughby-Hills-Police-Department)

EMERGENCY  
DIAL  
**911**



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